NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE

SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS NOVEMBER YIELD SURVEY

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NOVEMBER 2003 EXCLUSIVELY FOR SURVEY RESPONDENTS

Dear Respondent:

This issue of the NEW MEXICO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS covers the results of the NOVEMBER YIELD SURVEY conducted the last week of October and the first week of November. This is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely.

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NOVEMBER CROP PRODUCTION

NEW MEXICO: Corn for grain production for November remains unchanged at 6.8 million bushels with yields still expecting to average 170.0 bushels per acre. Upland cotton production also remains unchanged from October and is expected to yield 75,000 bales. American-Pima yields from October have increased slightly to an expected 1,040 pounds per acre, just below the record yield of 2002. Sorghum for grain production remains unchanged from the October forecast and yields are still expected to average 35.0 bushels per acre with 90,000 acres to be harvested. Peanut harvested acreage remains at 17,000 acres with total production forecasted at 49,300 pounds. Production of fall potatoes is forecast at 1.6 million cwt. with harvested acreage remaining constant with 2002 at 4,000 acres.

UNITED STATES: <u>Corn for grain</u> area harvested and to be harvested for grain is forecast at 71.8 million acres, unchanged from October but up 4 percent from 2002. **Sorghum** production is forecast at 400 million bushels, virtually unchanged from the October forecast but up 8 percent from last year. Based on November 1 conditions, the sorghum yield forecast is 51.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from last month but up 0.3 bushel from 2002. Area for harvest as grain is forecast at 7.85 million acres, unchanged from last month but 8 percent above last year. Peanuts production is forecast at 4.09 billion pounds, up 4 percent from last month and up 23 percent from 2002. Area for harvest is expected to total 1.28 million acres, unchanged from the October estimate but down 2 percent from 2002. **Upland cotton** harvested area, at 11.9 million acres, is unchanged from the October estimate but 2 percent less than last year. Harvest progress continues to lag well behind the 5-year average in most States. American-Pima harvested area, at 168,400 acres, is unchanged from October but down 31 percent from 2002. Production is forecast at 442,000 bales, up slightly from the October forecast but down 35 percent from last year. The U.S. yield is

forecast at 1,260 pounds per harvested acre, up 3 pounds from last month. <u>Fall potatoes</u> production of fall potatoes for 2003 is forecast at 414 million cwt, virtually unchanged from last year but 5 percent greater than the 2001 crop. Area harvested, at 1.09 million acres, is virtually unchanged from the July estimate but down 1 percent from last year.

November 2003 Crop Summary: Area Harvested, Yield and Production, 2002 and Forecasted November 1, 2003

		Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production	
Crop	Unit	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
		1,000 Acres		Units		1,000 Units	
NEW MEXICO							
Corn for Grain	Bu.	49	40	180.0	170.0	8,820	6,800
Upland Cotton 1/2/	Lb.	50.0	42.0	816	857	85.0	75.0
A-P Cotton 1/2/	Lb.	7.1	6.0	1,041	1,040	15.4	13.0
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	80	90	35.0	35.0	2,800	3,150
Peanuts	Lb.	18.0	17.0	3,000	2,900	54,000	49,300
Potatoes, Fall	Cwt.	4.0	4.0	400	390	1,600	1,560
UNITED STATES							
Corn for Grain	Bu.	69,313	71,765	130.0	143.2	9,007,659	10,277,932
Upland Cotton 1/2/	Lb.	12,184.0	11,939.0	651	715	16,530.3	17,773.0
A-P Cotton 1/2/	Lb.	242.6	168.4	1,342	1,260	678.3	442.0
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	7,299	7,851	50.7	51.0	369,758	400,012
Peanuts	Lb.	1,296.7	1,277.0	2,561	3,205	3,320,490	4,092,700
Potatoes, Fall	Cwt.	1,109.4	1,094.8	373	378	414,317	413,549

^{1/} Production ginned and to be ginned. ^{2/} Yield reported in pounds per acre: production in bales (480-lb. net weight).